

Application No. 09/981,246
Amendment dated July 28, 2004
Reply to Office Action dated June 8, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-18, 20, 21, 23, 29, 32-64, 66-68 stand canceled.

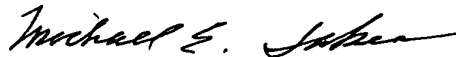
Claims 19, 22, 24-28, 30, 31 stand allowed.

Claim 65 has been amended to independent form including all parent claim limitations including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, in accordance with the Examiner's indication that claim 65 would be allowable if so amended. This indication of allowability is noted with appreciation.

This Application should now be in condition for allowance with claims 19, 22, 24-28, 30, 31, 65, and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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